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WELFARE SCHEMES BY PUBLIC SECTOR OIL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of works undertaken under the Social Welfare Schemes for public by the oil PSUs i.e. ONGC, Oil India, NRL, IOC and BRPL in the current financial year in the State of Assam;

(b) the amount of funds allocated /spent during the said period for such social welfare schemes;

(c) whether these PSUs engaged NGOs for implementing the welfare schemes in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM OF NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) Oil PSUs, namely, ONGC, Oil India Ltd, NRL, IOC and BRPL which have their units in the State of Assam, have been undertaking social welfare schemes under their corporate social responsibility. During the current year, activities undertaken by the Oil PSUs in the State of Assam are as under:-

Agri-allied and Income Generation

Distribution of free seeds to the farmers of nearby areas.

Financial assistance to unemployed youths and self-help groups for income generation schemes.

Distribution of handlooms and yarn to women folk of nearby villages.

Education

Financial assistance to various educational institutions like schools and colleges in nearby areas for construction of libraries, classrooms and laboratories.

Distribution of computers to various institutions and organizations of the State to generate and enhance computer literacy and awareness.

Scholarships to meritorious students including girl students.

Infrastructure Development

Development of village roads in the neighborhood of the refinery.

Financial assistance for drinking water facilities in nearby villages.

Financial assistance for construction of rural markets.

Financial assistance for construction of low cost sanitary latrines in neighboring villages.

Financial assistance for construction of public auditoriums.

Financial assistance for construction of children parks.

Community Health

Medical camps in the nearby villages at periodic intervals.

Financial assistance to Public Health Centers in nearby areas for improved medical facilities.

Promotion of Art, Sports and Culture

Financial assistance to premier literary bodies of the State for promotion of language and literature.

Financial assistance to premier sports tournaments of the State.

Financial assistance to various socio-cultural organizations for development in the fields of sports, art and culture in the State.

Water Supply and Sanitation

Construction of ring-well for drinking water supply/tube wells/deep wells at several places, construction of sanitary latrines/toilets.

Development of play-grounds, coaching for football, volleyball etc.

Development of roads/drains for better connectivity/better hygiene.

(b) These Public Sector Oil Undertakings are spending 0.75% to 1.0% of their net profit after tax of the previous Financial Year on Corporate Social responsibility schemes.The funds spent by these PSUs on social welfare schemes in the State of Assam during the current year are as under:

PSU	Amount (in lakh Rs.)
IOCL	136.00
ONGC	347.48
NRL	340.90
Oil India Ltd.	828.11
BRPL	150.40

(c) & (d) Oil India Ltd., BRPL and NRL have reported that they have not engaged any NGO for implementing the social welfare schemes in the State. ONGC and IOC have, however, been utilizing the services of a few NGOs for implementation of social welfare schemes in the State of Assam.